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Van Falls
Levin Stone Company
Box 95
Ash Fork, Arizona 86320

Re: Acceptance of Amended Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Levin Stone Company, Levin Stone #1 Project, S/027/086, Millard County, Utah

Dear Mr. Falls:

On September 5, 2000, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) forwarded a copy of Levin Stone's amended notice for the Levin Stone #1 project site. The amendment is to add a staging area to pallet sone in the SE1/4 of Section 3, T13S, R13W, Millard County, Utah. The amendment is considered complete and no additional information is required by the Division at this time.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices", and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite. Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices" (SMO-1). Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining activity will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements. Approval of a large mining operation typically takes from six to nine months or longer.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

Tom Munson
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Enclosure

cc: Sheri Wysong, BLM, Fillmore FO (UTU-078278)
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